

18 July 1961

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD**

**SUBJECT** : Release of Frank Powers

**REFERENCE** : a. Memo to DD/P from AC/DPD, dated  
3 July 1961, same subject (ER 61-5498)  
b. Memo to DCI from C/CI Staff, dated  
30 June 1961, subject: Exchange of  
ABEL for POWERS (ER 61-5429)

Per General Cabell, I informed Larry Houston that the Agency position, to be conveyed informally to State, was:

- 1) U. S. Government should not take initiative.
- 2) Should question become active, we generally favor idea of exchange.



Assistant to Director

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**Distribution:**

Orig & 1 - DD/P-AC/DPD (w/referenced memoranda)

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